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President's message

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We're entering a very joyous, blessed, and happy time of the year as 1984 passes into the records books. I'd like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of N.O.W. a numismatically rewarding 1985.

In a few short months, N.O.W. will place 25 years of past history into the official records. 1985 will see our Silver Anniversary convention come May 25-26 at Appleton, it promises to be the premier Wisconsin event of 1985. I trust all members will give complete 1985 priority to this gala happening. Executive Board members Harold Helm, Dick Anderson, and Gene Johnson are diligently working on all the lit-



tle sidelites that go with such an event; things look good. Board member Bob Van Ryzin, (General Chairman), has things well in hand as far as the convention operation goes. I would certainly encourage the dealer-members of N.O.W. to plug the May 25-26 convention into their schedule at this time; give it top priority. If you have not already subscribed

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to a bourse position, I would encourage you to do so at once. The accomodations at the Paper Valley Convention Center promise to be the greatest.

Current plans include a Wisconsin material auction via the Kurt Krueger organization. The entire board is looking forward to an outstanding annual event. There's something special about silver you know, and this is our 25th.

With regards to your Executive Board, we've met at Milwaukee twice and at Baraboo within the past months. Board meetings have been productive; there is a cooperative spirit to keep NOW rolling. V.P. Carol Janney has the club reps program well under way. Club reps will hold their first get together at Appleton come May 25th. If your member club has not as yet formalized it's NOW rep, I suggest you contact Ms. Janney at once. All Executive Board member addresses are listed in this issue of the NOW News.

Again, in closing, best wishes for the holiday season. May we all find our stockings stuffed with numismatic gems. If I can borrow a page from Scrooge, I hope my personal stocking'll

be stuffed with Wisconsin storecards 510D, J & 550C. If you can't come up with these, how's about getting NOW a new member for 1985? Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good 1985.

Bob

Bob Kraft

NOW BUYS VIDEO TAPE

In action at the interim Board of Governors meeting at Milwaukee-MECCA, a purchase of video tape presentation on collecting and grading U.S. coins was approved. The video tape, which will be lent to local coin clubs as a program for meetings is described as follows:

COLLECTING AND GRADING U.S. COINS is a 60 minute video program that was developed in cooperation with the American Numismatic Association. The primary purpose of the video program is to give the collector a permanent, easy to use reference guide to assist in determining the proper grade of a coin. In addition, the video program provides the serious collector with general numismatic knowledge and information necessary to intelligently build a coin collection.

Write NOW President Bob Kraft if your club would like to utilize this teaching media.

APPLETON NOW PLANS

The wheels are in motion to make the 25th anniversary of NOW a pleasing and memorable occasion. The setting is superb, the Paper Inn at Appleton ranks as one of the very top facilities in Wisconsin as a convention center and meeting place. The beautiful new facility has reduced room rates for our show, and the NOW officers and Board of Governors hope you will plan your spring vacation outing in this luxury hostelry!

As for the "special" plans for the NOW show, a "Silver Anniversary" booklet will be published for each NOW member, membership pinbacks will be given to all members and visitors, NOW past presidents will be honored, club representatives from local clubs fetted, and several "surprise" type presentations made. Dick Anderson has made arrangements for a NOW gathering at Dougs Supper Club on Saturday night, Chet Krause is assembling an eye opening "Wisconsin" set of exhibits for the show, and the host Appleton (Fox Valley) club has promised a fine bourse and competitive exhibits. The next issue of NOW News will include hotel rate cards and lots more information on the Appleton area. May 25-26, Check your vacation/weekend out calenders, this will be a great one!

N.O.W. AUCTION SET

ANA Governor Kurt Krueger and NOW President Bob Kraft have confirmed that the 25th Silver Anniversary convention in Appleton will feature a Wisconsin material auction.

Current plans are for a one session floor auction on Sunday afternoon to feature some 300-500 lots of Wisconsin material, to include paper, CWSC, merchant tokens, masonics, military and such. The auction is to be handled by the Krueger firm, catalogued and extensively advertised.

Kraft looks for the auction to be a valuable adjunct to the NOW Show and is encouraging NOW members to make consignments to the Krueger organization. All inquiries may be directed to Kurt Krueger, 160 N Washington St. Iola, WI 54945.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

In accordance with Article 1, Section 1 of the NOW by-laws, I hereby issue a call for persons to stand election to the Board of Governors. Officers who's terms expire are:

Jerry Tillung
Cliff Manthe
Robert Van Ryzin
David Hunsicker

Nominations close Feb. 15th 1985. Send to Michael Tramte P.O. Box 1036, Green Bay 54305.



I am the NOW representative for the Tomah Coin Club. I am sending you the information that you requested about our club.

Officers:

President-Howard Fast
Vice Pres.-Maxine Garway
Sec./Treas.-William Rabe
Coin Show Chairman-Cliff Manthe

The club has a monthly meeting usually held on the third Wednesday of the month. There is a small auction at each meeting in which members can bring coins to sell. Five SBA dollars are given away at each meeting as door prizes. Our annual Christmas banquet is held on the regular meeting night in December.

Sincerely,
Brian Mueller

Have your N.O.W. club REP
send us your local club news!

The official name of our club is "The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club". It meets the last Thursday of every month at the Siren Fire Hall at 8p.m. Our officers are:

Pres: Dan Fink
Vice Pres: Curt Stansifer
Treas: Volieta Andrews
Sec: Denise Garvey
Rt. 1 Box 30
Siren, WI 54872

The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club will have its annual coin show on Sun., July 14th 1985 from 9a.m. to 5p.m. at the Siren Community Center. Dealers and collectors are welcome to our show as well as to our meetings.

Denise Garvey

Sometime ago I mentioned the cost of running the club. Here is a rough estimate of those costs:

Printing/newsletters	\$120.
Postage	\$100.
Door prizes	\$150.
Office supplies	\$ 50.
Hospitality	\$ 50.
Desserts	\$130.
Picnic	\$ 30.
Christmas party	\$300.
Miscel.	\$ 60.

As you can see, we need the help of every member to keep the club afloat even without promoting, through special projects, our club to the community.

Racine Newsletter



I think we are all prone to describe things that we do as the "best ever"!

The 16th Annual Summer Seminar is no exception nor would the description be an exaggeration. With your help and that of several other sponsors, a number of young numismatists were able to participate in the week long event traditionally held on the campus of Colorado College.

Christopher Foley, the young man that you sponsored was an outstanding student and you should be very proud of him. I am sure that you will be hearing directly from Christopher in the near future to relate more on his experiences here at Colorado Springs last week.

Sincerely,

Edward C. Rochette

Bob Korosec announced MNS has decided to sponsor the second prize of \$75.00 for the NOW Literary Award.

Milwaukee Numis. News

Here is the information on the Sheboygan Coin Club that you requested. We meet at the Security First National bank, which is located at 605 Plaza 8, in room 1. We meet every other Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Sheboygan Coin Club will be December 4th. Visitors are welcome to attend.

William Mittelstadt

Well, our club now has a new logo. The board selected 3 finalists out of 13 entries which were submitted by 7 different members. The 3 final logo designs were submitted to the membership at the August meeting to be voted on and the entry of Del Bertschy was the choice of the members. Entries by Jerry Panfil and myself were runners-up.

Bob Korosec
Milw. N. N.

The Baraboo Coin Club was organized in 1960. Dues are \$3.00 yearly for adults and 50¢ for junior members. We have twelve (12) monthly meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of each month. Usually, twenty door prizes are drawn preceeding each meeting. A coin auction follows each business meeting.

Our annual coin show is held on the third Sunday in August at the Baraboo Elks Club from 9am to 5pm.

Our annual club banquet is usually held the second Saturday in February. The dinner is free to the members and guests are invited.

Sincerely yours,

Edward L. Lange

n.o.w. Mailbag



I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for providing an ANA Scholarship that enabled a young numismatist to attend the ANA Summer Seminar this year. Your scholarship was awarded to:

Christopher Foley
5620 S. 25th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Thanks again for your continuous support of my Young Numismatist Programs and especially for the ANA Scholarship Program.

My very best personal regards,

Florence M. Schook
ANA Vice President

Send Us Your
Club News!



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ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Exhibit Chairman Randy Miller would like to have the best exhibits of the year 1985 assembled at Appleton NOW, you may exhibit competitively, or if you have a past exhibit that you feel the public would like to see, tell Randy you will bring it to Appleton. We have plenty of room! Randy's address is: P.O. Box 254, Oshkosh, WI, 54902. Make your plans now, we will have beautiful gift/awards for both catagories.

BEP PRODUCES

5 BILLIONTH NOTE

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has produced its five billionth currency note of the 1984 production year--the first time in its history that the five billion mark was reached during a one-year period.

"This milestone is evidence of the increasingly high productivity we've been achieving over the last few years," Bureau Director Robert J. Leuver said. He noted that currency production had doubled in the last seven years.

With 12 presses operating 24 hours a day, the Bureau prints 8 thousand notes per hour for a total of \$165 million worth of currency per day.

Club News



The Kettle Moraine Coin and Stamp Club is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 1984. To commemorate the event, the club has created a special elongated cent, with a design featuring the club logo rolled on a 1984 Lincoln cent. There were 300 tokens made with a few remaining available to collectors for 50¢ each plus a self addressed, stamped envelope. Send orders to the club at P.O. Box 251, West Bend, WI 53095.

The club was founded on January 25, 1964, and has steadily grown in activities and membership to the present number of 82. There are monthly programs and exhibits with an annual "Best Exhibitor" award. Activities include an annual picnic, auctions, game nights, educational seminars, and an annual miniature coin and stamp show. Besides the elongated cent, the club has issued several memorabilia pieces including a wooden mint set, wooden nickels, Patrick Mint tokens, and cacheted envelopes. New members are always welcome.

ANTIOCH COIN CLUB

The Antioch Coin Club of Illinois held its 13th annual coin show November 4th, 1984 at Antioch High School. Jim Glen was show chairman. The club meets the 3rd Monday of each month at the Antioch State Bank at 8:00 p.m. Bourse inquiries for next years show can be directed to: Antioch Coin Club, P.O. Box 53, Antioch, Ill. 60002.

MERIT BADGE CLINIC

AT MILWAUKEE

Club representative Lee Hartz of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society has announced the 5th annual "Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic" to be held on April 20th, 1985. (Saturday).

Hartz and Tom Casper, along with a number of other MNS members have between 50-100 scouts involved in the hobby propagating venture!

PLAN AHEAD!

LOCAL SHOW CO-ORDINATOR

HARRY COLLINS

P.O. Box 6

Schofield, Wi. 54476 or call 715-359-9492

NOW Will Help!

Iola was once 'Coin Collectors' Capitol'

Iola was buzzing on September 26th of this year, awaiting the arrival of CBS newsman Charles Kurault and his film crew. Seems CBS was filming a sequence on self proclaimed capitals, and Iola has been known for years as the "Coin Collectors Capital"! Sad to say, KP and Iola didn't get this juicy free advertising plum due to a little goof up. Seems in the late 1970's the big sign outside Iola on highway 49 was changed from "Coin Collectors Capital" to "Home of the Midwests Largest Car Show". The capital dome and logo that was so pridefull and appropriate for Iola and KP faded as non numismatic publications and diversification changed the single identity of Numismatic News into Krause Publications.

NEWSPAPER NEWSMAKERS

Two NOW members picked up some very nice newspaper coverage this late summer. Past President Harold Helm was featured in a picture and text biggie in the "Oshkosh Northwestern". Harolds collecting exploits and stories covered about 35 column inches.

Ralph Winkuist was in-

terviewed by Numismatic News concerning the numismatic book business. The large question and answer story brought out the best in Ralph as he recalled his start in the hobby, and on thru the present. Good reading in both stories about a couple of class fellas!



WCPMA GOLF OUTING

The Wisconsin Coin and Precious Metals Association golf outing for 1984 is history, and tho the NOW News camera wasn't present due to our daughters wedding we did receive this feedback. Low gross was won by Jerry Schomich with an 80, Ken Korsoc had the longest successful putt, big Jim Bayer had long drive, Joe Pankratz, closest to the pin in one, Joe Dunn, shortest drive, and Harold Jones and Mark Ferguson tied for highest gross score.

Wis. Coin and Precious Metals Assn. membership is \$100 annually, address inquiries to Lens Coins and Stamps, 6801 University Ave. Middleton, WI 53562.



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PROFESSIONALISM: Kurt R. Krueger is a full-time highly professional numismatist; well known for his high ethical standards in his field. Kurt is a member of the Professional Numismatist Guild. As a member of the PNG, Kurt is required to subscribe to a rigid code of ethics and pass the strict financial requirements. As a Life Member of the American Numismatic Association, Kurt takes an active interest in the organization. He is currently the youngest member on the Board of Governors.

INTEGRITY: Because of Kurt's firm adherence to a rigid code of business ethics and moral values, you receive an honest evaluation and a fair price for your holdings. Kurt will not merely "cherry-pick" your collection... he will purchase your material intact... lock, stock and barrel.

EXPERIENCE: In 1956, Kurt was a budding numismatist. His intense desire for knowledge for the past 25 years has given Kurt a keen insight into United States numismatics. As an authority on foreign coin and currency markets, Kurt is a contributing editor to several major world numismatic catalogues.

Attending coin conventions and auctions, Kurt is constantly meeting with his numismatic clientele. This encounter with people in all parts of the United States gives him a perception of the market which few enjoy.

There you have it!! **PROFESSIONALISM, INTEGRITY and EXPERIENCE!** The three essential ingredients of a highly respected numismatist. Over the years, as you built and enjoyed your collection, you put forth much time and effort, along with a substantial investment. Now, as you consider the sale of your holdings, your wisest investment could very well be a telephone call or a letter to Kurt R. Krueger... a name synonymous with numismatics!



**160 N. Washington Street
Iola, Wisconsin 54945
(715) 445-3845**



**NR numismatic
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**Presents
2ND ANNUAL COIN SHOW**

Sunday, February 17, 1985

**Place: Holiday Inn
500 South Koeller Road**
Off Highway 41 - Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Time: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Dealer Set Up After 7:00 A.M.

**Free Admission To Public
Membership Drawings**

For Further Bourse Information Contact
Sec./Treas. Randy Miller
Box 254, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54902

(414) 231-5262

Experienced!

ITEM:

Numismatic News convinces the GSA to properly grade Carson City dollars sold from the government's hoard (scratched, nicked and tarnished specimens were to be sold as uncirculated!)

ITEM:

Numismatic News helps reverse the Treasury's decision to omit silver from the Ike dollar (we now enjoy 40% silver Ikes!)

ITEM:

Numismatic News successfully lobbies against middle-man profits in the Olympic coin programs.

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Been on the block for 32 years. Saw some questionable hobby programs come down from Washington in that time. Got involved with all of them. Knew from experience what to do — how to go about changing minds and policies.

Victories for the hobby were sweet. There are more to come. Stick with us. Support us. Now more than ever, we're ready to serve your interests.

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DEADLYCARSON CITY SILVER

By Bob Van Ryzin WNWA

On the morning of July 4, 1882, Comstock miner, William F. Grant was riding the cage up from the bottom of the Chollar-Norcross-Savage mine when he became faint, lost his balance, keeled over, toppled from the cage and was horribly crushed between the cage and the wall plates of the mine shaft before he plummeted to his death. The workers who were with Grant quickly signaled the hoist engineer to lower the cage to the bottom of the shaft where they recovered Grant's mutilated remains. 1

Slightly more than one month later, on Friday, August 11, 1882 Thomas Veale, a carman at the same mine lost his balance and fell 280 feet to his death in a scalding pool of water. Veale had boarded the cage with intent of ascending to the surface in order to pick up materials with which to fix a hydraulic pump. The cage had traveled only four feet when he signaled the engineer to stop the hoist. A witness to the accident, who had been at work in one of the nearby drifts, heard a noise and ran to the shaft only to discover that the cage in which Veale had been riding was empty. After sig-

naling for help, volunteers arrived and were lowered to the bottom of the shaft where they dragged Veale's badly deformed body from the sump. 2

Gruesome, grisly tales such as those just related often seemed to be the mainstay of the Virginia City Territorial Enterprise which regularly, graphically detailed the latest injury or death at the Comstock Lode. They also serve to draw attention to the tremendous risks that accompanied the early deep rock mining operations that produced much of the silver coined at the Carson City, Nevada Mint during the late 1800's. The Comstock Lode, located on the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, a short distance by rail from the Carson City Mint, was one of the richest bodies of ore ever discovered in the United States, yielding over 400 million dollars worth of gold and silver. But, beyond its great wealth and importance to the nation, the history of the Comstock Lode also yields a disturbing tale of the great risk and danger faced by those who dared to extract its wealth.

Statistics compiled by contemporary historian Elliot Lord revealed that between 1863 and 1880, the peak production years at the Lode, some 295 miners were killed and at least 606 were injured in mine related accidents. 3. So great was the

danger that a miner who spent ten years at his job stood a one in three chance of being seriously injured and a one in eight chance of being killed.⁴ As T.H. Watkins noted in his book, Gold and Silver in the West:

Indeed the underground miner faced a seemingly endless variety of hazards everytime he set foot in the mine. He could be blown to bits in an explosion, drown in a sump, suffocated and incinerated in a fire, scalded by hot water, crushed by falling rocks or cave-ins, wound up in the machinery, ground under the wheels of an ore car, have his head split open with an ax or pick, his neck broken by being run up into the hoist frame, or his whole body smashed out of shape and reduced to pulp, or ripped apart and scattered in shreds by falling down a shaft. 5

But by far the most common way in which a Comstock miner lost his life was as the result of a cave-in. The porous nature of the walls of the Comstock Lode made mining extremely dangerous and led to a rather strange relationship between the miners who worked the Lode and the rats which infested it. Comstock miners quickly became aware of the uncanny ability of those hungry little critters to forecast, through sensing minute vibrations,

impending cave-ins, thereby, warning the miners of the danger. The miners, in turn, were only too happy to keep their little friends well-fed in return for this valuable service.

As a sidelight, it should be mentioned that the Comstock rats were looked upon as good-luck charms. It was said that when a rat entered a new drift it was a sure sign that the miners would strike ore. Comstock miners clung so readily to this superstition that the November 25, 1882 issue of the Territorial Enterprise in reporting that a rat had been sighted in the Sierra Nevada mine cautioned, "there is much talk among the miners about the coming of this rat, and the men in the new cross-cut are very proud of it, and have high hopes on account of its presence. Woe unto the man who shall intentionally kill that Sierra Nevada rat!"



It took a lot of courage and determination to bring the silver riches of the Comstock Lode to the Carson City Mint for coinage, and

many dedicated miners forfeited life and limb in their vain search for wealth deep mining the Comstock. The story of which, if nothing else, shows that there is often more to the background of a coin, such as those bearing the famous "CC" mintmark, than at first meets the eye.

FOOTNOTES

¹Virginia City, Territorial Enterprise, 6 July 1882.

²Ibid., 13 August 1882.

³Elliot Lord, Comstock Mining and Miners (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1883; reprinted., Berkeley, Ca.: Howell-North Press, 1959), p.94.

⁴Robert Wallace, The Miners in The Old West series (New York: Time-Life books, 1976) p.94.

⁵T.H. Watkins, Gold and Silver in the West: The Illustrated History of an American Dream (New York: American West Publishing Company, 1971), p.209.

⁶Virginia City, Territorial Enterprise, 25 November 1882.



LOGO STAMP A DANDY

The Fox Valley Coin and Gun Company, of Kimberly celebrated their 25th anniversary with a nice little envelope sticker. The anniversary sticker, which is an adhesive (gummed) back arrangement is affixed to outgoing mail for the firm.



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1983

25th Anniversary of The Last Street Car in Milwaukee

NICE COVERS BY KMC & SC

The Kettle Moraine Coin and Stamp Club of West Bend does some nice things for their members. Here is one of the more recent, a souvenir envelope that beautifully remembers the Milwaukee street cars.

LOCAL CLUB REP'S NAMED

NOW Vice President Carol Janney has most of the NOW/local club representatives lined up for 1985. Plans call for special recognition for representatives of Wisconsin's 24 local clubs at the Appleton/NOW show May 25-26.

APPLETON (Fox Valley C.C.)

Robert Van Ryzin

BARABOO

CAMBRIDGE

EAU CLAIRE (Chippewa Valley)

Jerome Tillung

FOND DU LAC

GREEN BAY (Nicolet)

Hank Thoele

JANESVILLE

Todd Burke

KENOSHA

LA CROSSE

MADISON

Glen Dirreen

MANITOWOC

Al Hrudka

MILWAUKEE (MNS)

Lee Hartz

MILWAUKEE (SSCC)

Lee Hartz

OCQUONOMOWOC

OSHKOSH (OCC)

Tammy Allen

OSHKOSH (NRS)

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Carol L'Herault

SHEBOYGAN

Kenneth Herber

SIREN

TOMAH

Brian Mueller

WAUKESHA

Leo Neidinger

WAUSAU

Harry Collins

WEST BEND

David Hunsicker

show schedule

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February 10 MANITOWOC

Club Bil-Mar
Clipper City Coin Club
11212 Hwy. 151
Manitowoc 54220

February 17 OSHKOSH

Holiday Inn
Numismatic Research Soc.
P.O. Box 254
Oshkosh 54902

March 2-3 RACINE

Sheraton Inn
Racine Numismatic Society
P.O. Box 1222
Racine 53405

March 10 KENOSHA

Holiday Inn
Kenosha Coin Club
808 74th Street
Kenosha 53140

March 10 APPLETON

Paper Valley Hotel
Fox Valley Coin Club
229 E. College Ave.
Appleton 54911

March 17 MADISON

Sheraton Inn
Madison Coin Club
611 5th Street
Waunakee 53597

March 24 SHEBOYGAN

North Bowl Lanes
Sheboygan Coin Club
P.O. Box 907
Sheboygan 53081

March 31 WAUKESHA

Youth Building
Waukesha Coin Club
P.O. Box 321
Brookfield 53005

March 31 GREEN BAY

Midway Motor Lodge
Nicolet Coin Club
P.O. Box 152
Green Bay 54305

April 7 JANESVILLE

Ramada Inn
Janesville Coin Club
1321 Mineral Point
Janesville 53545

April 12-14 MILWAUKEE

MECCA
South Shore Coin Club
P.O. Box 589
Milwaukee 53201

April 21 WAUSAU

Labor Temple
Wis. Valley Coin Club
P.O. Box 6
Schofield 54476

April 25-28 MINNEAPOLIS

Central States Numis. Soc.

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1985 SHOW CALENDERMay 5 EAU CLAIRE

Holiday Inn
 Eau Claire Coin Club
 P.O. Box 15
 Downsville 54735

May 19 TOMAH

Holiday Inn
 Tomah Coin Club
 303 Superior Ave.
 Tomah 54660

May 25-26 APPLETON

Paper Valley Inn
 NOW Annual Convention
 229 E. College Ave.
 Appleton 54911

June 22-23 RHINELANDER

Holiday Inn
 Northwoods Stamp and Coin
 P.O. Box 681
 Rhinelander 54501

July 14 SIREN

Community Center
 Fishbowl Coin Club
 Rt. 2 Box 30
 Siren 54872

August 18 BARABOO

Elks Club
 Baraboo Coin Club
 1015 East Street
 Baraboo 53913

September 22 FOND DU LAC

American Legion Hall
 P.O. Box 952
 Fond Du Lac 54935

September 27-29 MILWAUKEE

MECCA
 Milwaukee Numismatic Soc.
 3939 N. Murray
 Milwaukee 53211

October 13 OCONOMOWOC

Community Center
 Cooney Numismatists Ltd.
 P.O. Box 624
 Oconomowoc 53066

NEW ANA GOLD AWARD MEDAL

The prestigious Farran Zerbe Memorial Award of 1984 was presented for the first time in the form of a fine art medal. The unwieldy plaque that has represented the award since its inception in 1951 has been retired in favor of a gold medal adopted by the American Numismatic Association Board of Governors.

The new medal, representing the ANA's highest meritorious award, contains a full ounce of fine gold as specified by the ANA Board. Struck in 10K gold, it measures 2 inches in diameter. It is uniface with space below the design on which the recipient's name and state of his award will be engraved.

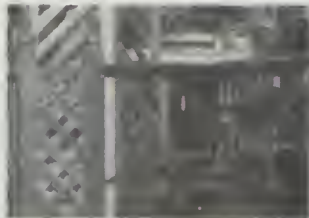
Four NOW members have been honored with the award since its inception in 1951. They are: Richard S. Yeoman in 1956, Chet Krause, in 1977, George D. Hatie, in 1982, and now Cliff Mishler in 1984.



APPLETON N.O.W.



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MAY 25-26
1985

AD RATES

Contract Rates*

One-quarter page.....\$ 35
 One-half page..... 60
 One page..... 100

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One-quarter page.....\$10
 One-half page..... 18
 One page..... 30

*All rates are for camera ready copy. Advertisements submitted not camera ready will be charged an additional \$5 for one-quarter page ads and \$10 for one-half page and one page ads.

Advertisers Please Note

All correspondence relating to advertising should be sent to Dick Anderson, 436 Nicolet Blvd. Menasha - 54952. Make all remittances payable to Numismatists of Wisconsin.

Deadline

Copy must be received as follows: March Issue, Feb. 1; June Issue, May 1; September Issue, August 1; December Issue, Nov. 1.

Mechanical Requirements

Full page, 37x47 picas; half page may be vertical or horizontal in format. Single column width, 17 picas.

Contracts

Available for four issues per year, first come first serve basis. Inside and back covers available at \$125 per year. If new copy has not been received by deadline, previous ad will be repeated.

Other Requirements

No mail bid sale listings not ads offering layaways accepted. No ads accepted from minors. All ads must have numismatic significance. Because of advance deadlines, prices stated in many ads may be subject to change.



WISCONSIN COIN SHOWS! WHERE THE ACTION IS!





No, its not a big "sting" operation, just the changing of the guard at the OCC Show at Oshkosh. Personable dealer Jerry Hummel of Little Chute is giving the "starting collector" pitch to three of Oshkosh' finest.



Veteran numismatic dealer team, Rhea and Frank Allen show a customer what they have in stock. Like most of the fall one day shows, the well run Oshkosh show was lightly attended.

heboygan dealer, Vern Witt s the man with the "Rollie ingers" mustache at the shkosh Coin Club fall show. o baseball cards at this able tho!



FIELD TRIP TO
CHICAGO FEDERAL RESERVE

On August 17, 1984, 22 members and guests of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society and South Shore Coin Club made a field trip via Badger Coach to the Chicago Federal Reserve. Arriving at the Fed a little after 10:00am we were courteously greeted by Public Information Representatives Michael Ben and Frank Kocich. Our guides then took us to a room and we were shown a 25 minute film. Mike told us the film was made in 1978 and every operation in the film was the same except they no longer burned the worn out currency but shredded it. Bob Korosec later told me the shredded money was available to anyone but only in 3 1/2 ton lots. Anyone have a semi the club can use to pick up one lot? The cameras were then taken away (to protect the identities of the 2,000 employees), and we were all issued ID stick on patches.

We were split into two groups and a tour of the building began. Mike led the way in our group. Our first stop was at the "check sorting" room. This room is kept at a constant 68 degrees to help keep the machines from overheating. To handle the tremendous volume of checks the machines run 24 hours a day.

A counting room was our next stop. Two employees were using a small counting machine to check bundles of currency for correct amounts. After counting this money, it is placed back into circulation.

We were shown some frames of money used from 1862 to present, the popular 1901 Bison and an 1899 Indian Chief note along with a very scarce hand signed Series 1878 Silver Certificate were on exhibit. Unfortunately for us the numismatic room was closed for repairs and that was all we did see numismatically.

The shredding machines were viewed next and Mike said some 15 million worth of notes were shredded a day. That concluded the tour and our group returned to the room where we viewed the film. Our cameras were returned and Mike handed us all small souvenir packets of shredded money. We were also allowed to take several handouts on information concerning the Fed and money. That concluded the tour which took about 1 1/2 hours.

On behalf of those who went on the trip, I want to thank the Milwaukee Numismatic Society and South Shore Coin Club for footing the bill for the trip (\$303 for the Badger Coach).

Numismatically Yours,

John Wilson



Registration always seems to end up in the club secretarys lap, here Irene Blanchette, O.C.C. secretary, gets help from Elizabeth Neumueller. (L)

Numismatic bull session in progress, (L to R), Floyd Janney Mark Ferguson and Fritz Voecks.



Below - The "face of the enemy" (Green Bay Packer TV) peers over the shoulder of dealer Roger Bohn.



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Lots of nice old tokens to buy at the table of Lake County Coin, of Grays Lake Ill. (Oshkosh fall show).

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Receiving ANA 25 year membership medals were Bill Pettit and Art Christoph, and WNWA writer Bob Lemke was recognized as the top individual membership recruiter for the past year.

WILSONS WIN AT ANA

The exhibit team of Nancy and John Wilson did very well at ANA Detroit. Nancy won the Howland Wood Memorial Best of Show, Sidney W. Smith Memorial first place for U.S. Paper Money, second place for private mint issues after 1960, and John took a second place in the U.S. paper catagory.

ANA MUSEUM EXHIBITS ANCIENT GREEK COINS

An unusual educational exhibit, titled "From Hand to Hand: Ancient Coins", opened to the public on October 10 at the Museum of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs.

Featuring the Cutler Collection, this exhibition includes examples of classical Greek coinage from throughout the Ancient world from the sixth century B.C. until Roman times.

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The Museum, located at 818 North Cascade Avenue in Colorado Springs, is open to the public without charge from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

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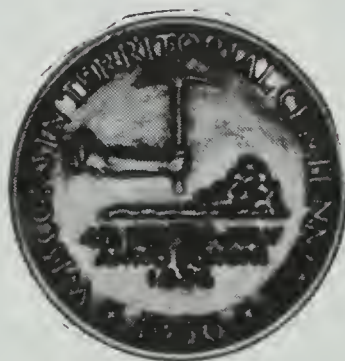
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